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But She doth doubt what after may befall! For Nature's law accuseth her within, And salth, 6e Tis true, that is affirmed by **all**, That after death, there is a pain for $\sin I$ "

Then She, which hath been hoodwinked from her birth? Doth first herself within Death's Mirror see! And when her body doth return to earth. She first takes care3 how She alone shall be!

Whoever sees these irreligious men. With burden of a sickness, weak and faint; But hears them talking of religion then! And vowing of their souls to every saint?

When was there ever cursed atheist brought Unto the gibbet, but he did adore That blessed Power! which he had set at nought, Scorned, and blasphemed, all his life before?

These light vain persons, still are drunk and mad, With surfeitmgs and pleasures of their youth! But, at their deaths, they are fresh! sober! sad! Then, they discern! and then, they speak the truth!

If then, all souls, both good and bad, do teach With general voice, that souls can never die!
'Tis not Man's flattering Gloss, but Nature's Speech! Which, like GOD's Oracle, can never lie.

Hence, springs that *universal* strong desire, \$. Reason Which all men have, of Immortality!
From the Not some few spirits unto this thought aspire_s
Ire o?im." But all men's minds in this, united be!

mortality.

Then this desire of Nature is not vain! "
She covets not impossibilities!" "Fond thoughts may fall into some idle brain; But one Assent of All, is ever true!"